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For: GENE DISCOVERY FOR THE SYSTEM ASSIGNMENT OF GENE FUNCTION

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2007, now due to expire September 27, 2007, be extended for three month(s) and set to expire on December 27, 2007.

Please charge the extension fee of \$525.00 to Deposit Account No. 502624. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502624.

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